

**STATES THAT HAVE LESS WIND
ENERGY POTENTIAL THAN MONTANA
(BUT) MORE CURRENTLY UTILIZED
WIND GENERATION CAPACITY**

**MONTANA RANKS #5 IN WIND ENERGY
POTENTIAL; WE RANK # 16 IN
CURRENTLY UTILIZED WIND
GENERATION CAPACITY**

<u>STATE</u>	<u>WEP rank</u>	<u>(-)*₁</u>	<u>WGC rank</u>	<u>(+)*₂</u>
Washington	24	19	5	11
Oregon	23	18	8	8
Colorado	11	6	10	5
Wyoming	7	2	13	3
Oklahoma	8	3	6	10
Minnesota	9	4	4	12
New Mexico	12	7	7	9
Iowa	10	5	2	14
California	17	12	3	13
Pennsylvania	22	17	14	2
Illinois	16	11	12	4
New York	15	10	9	7

*1 negative differential, Montana's #5 WEP ranking and state (less wind potential)

*2 positive differential, Montana's #16 WGC ranking and state (more wind generation)

NORTHWESTERN SERVICE AREA STATES

	WEP	WGC
Nebraska	6	18
South Dakota	4	22
Montana	5	16
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3 State Average*	5	18.6

State Rankings are #'s out of 34, not 50 states; 16 states have no or negligible WGC because of negligible WEP.

Note; Idaho ranks 13th in WEP (8 behind Montana), but ranks 17th in WGC (only 1 behind Montana).